

Second Sunday of Lent February 21 & 22, 2016



Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

Our Worship Service

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WELCOME

HOLY BAPTISM – 10:30 AM – SERVICE BEGINS ON PAGE 3

THE OPENING HYMN *"I'm But a Stranger Here"*
Christian Worship #417

1 I'm but a stran-ger here; Heav'n is my home.
2 What though the tem-pest rage, Heav'n is my home.
3 There at my Sav-ior's side— Heav'n is my home—
4 There - fore I mur-mur not; Heav'n is my home.

Earth is a des-ert drear; Heav'n is my home.
Short is my pil-grim-age; Heav'n is my home.
I shall be glo-ri-fied; Heav'n is my home.
What - e'er my earth-ly lot, Heav'n is my home.

Hymn continues on next page

Dan-ger and sor-row stand Round me on ev-'ry hand.
And time's wild, win-try blast Soon shall be o-ver-past;
There are the good and blest, Those I love most and best,
And I shall sure-ly stand There at my Lord's right hand.

Heav'n is my fa-ther-land; Heav'n is my home.
I shall reach home at last; Heav'n is my home.
And there I, too, shall rest; Heav'n is my home.
Heav'n is my fa-ther-land; Heav'n is my home.

Text: Thomas R. Taylor, 1807–35.
Tune: HEAVEN IS MY HOME (64 64 6664) Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: A - - men.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

C: Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

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HOLY BAPTISM10:30 AM ONLY

THE OPENING HYMN*“See This Wonder in the Making”*
Christian Worship #300



1 See this won - der in the mak - ing: God him -
2 Mir - a - cle each time it hap - pens As the
3 Far more ten - der than a moth - er, Far more
4 Here we bring a child of na - ture; Home we



self this child is tak - ing As a lamb safe in his
door to heav - en o - pens And the Fa - ther beams, “Be-
car - ing than a fa - ther, God, in - to your arms we
take a new-born crea - ture, Now God’s pre - cious son or



keep - ing, His to be, a - wake or sleep - ing.
lov - ed, Heir of gifts a king would cov - et!”
place *him*, With your love and peace em - brace *him*.
daugh - ter, Born a - gain by Word and wa - ter.

THE INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

P: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

P: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

P: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Norah Rose Murphy, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Please Stand

EXHORTATION

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Norah may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

P: Let us pray: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Norah and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

Service continues below

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you,
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the
sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the
sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of
God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;
you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray: Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - men.

Please be Seated

THE FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 26:8-15

Jeremiah, a prophet of God, faced persecution because of the message God told him to proclaim. Yet, Jeremiah faithfully spoke the truth. He proclaimed God's judgment on those who rejected his message and announced God's love and forgiveness to all who in faith obeyed.

⁸But as soon as Jeremiah finished telling all the people everything the LORD had commanded him to say, the priests, the prophets and all the people seized him and said, "You must die! ⁹Why do you prophesy in the LORD's name that this house will be like Shiloh and this city will be desolate and deserted?" And all the people crowded around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. ¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard about these things, they went up from the royal palace to the house of the LORD and took their places at the entrance of the New Gate of the LORD's house. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and all the people, "This man should be sentenced to death because he has prophesied against this city. You have heard it with your own ears!" ¹²Then Jeremiah said to all the officials and all the people: "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the things you have heard. ¹³Now reform your ways and your actions and obey the LORD your God. Then the LORD will relent and not bring the disaster he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴As for me, I am in your hands; do with me whatever you think is

good and right. ¹⁵Be assured, however, that if you put me to death, you will bring the guilt of innocent blood on yourselves and on this city and on those who live in it, for in truth the LORD has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing."

THE PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 42-43

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Since god is our only source of salvation, we are eager to hear his word and we put our trust in him.

Refrain



Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Psalm tone



**As the deer pants for streams of water,*
so my soul pants for you, O God.**

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.*

Where can I go and meet with God?

Why are you downcast, O my soul?*

Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God,*

for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

Refrain

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me;*

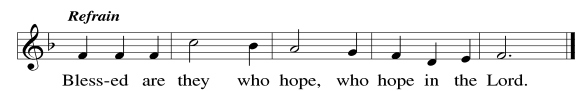
let them bring me to the place where you dwell.

Then will I go to the altar of God, my joy and my delight.*

I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

Psalm continues on next page

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.



THE SECOND LESSON.....Philippians 3:17-4:1

St. Paul explains that many people continue to resist their Savior and their salvation. He then encourages us to stand firm in the Lord since we know that our citizenship is in heaven with our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁷Join with others in following my example, brothers, and take note of those who live according to the pattern we gave you. ¹⁸For, as I have often told you before and now say again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. ^{4:1}Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends!

VERSE OF THE DAY-SUNG BY ST. PAUL'S ADULT CHOIR 8:00 AND 10:30 AM

P: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross.
(Philippians 2:8b)

ANTHEM BY ST. PAUL'S ADULT CHOIRCome Now and Follow Me
Words by Nancy Price & Don Besig; Music by Don Besig

Friends, sharing in a fellowship of faith, we join our hearts and our minds to worship as one. Now seeking to be worthy of God's grace, we find our hope in the words of Jesus, the Son.

He said: "Come follow me. Come follow me, for I will give you rest and bring you peace. I am the Truth. I am the Light. I am the Resurrection and the Life. And all who seek God's grace must follow me."

Friends, seeing how His love has made us whole, we find our faith is renewed, our hope is restored. Now, serving as disciples is our goal. We join to answer the call of Jesus, our Lord.

He said: "Come follow me. Come follow me, for I will give you rest and bring you peace. I am the Truth. I am the Light. I am the Resurrection and the Life. And all who seek God's grace must follow me."

Please stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... Luke 13:31-35



Just as the Jews rejected and killed the prophets sent by God and refused their message of salvation, so Jesus is also rejected and would soon be killed. However, through his rejection and sacrifice, we enjoy the gift of salvation.

31 At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you." 32 He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will drive out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' 33 In any case, I must keep going today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem! 34 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! 35 Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

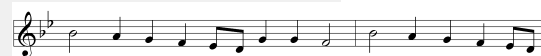
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord, You I Love with all My Heart"

Christian Worship #434



1 Lord, you I love with all my heart; I pray you ne'er from
2 Lord God, 'twas your rich boun-ty gave My bod-y, soul, and
3 Lord, let at last your an-gels come; To A-bram's bos-om



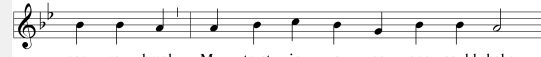
me de-part; With ten-der mer-cies cheer me. Earth has no
all I have In this poor life of la-bor. Lord, grant that
bear me home That I may die un-fear-ing. And in its



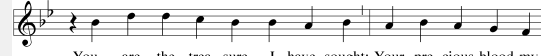
plea-sure I would share; Heav-en it-self were void and bare
I in ev-ry place May glo-ri-fy your lav-ish grace
nar-row cham-ber keep My bod-y safe in peace-ful sleep



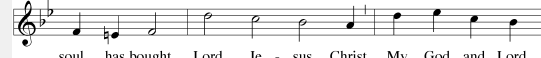
If you, Lord, were not near me, And should my heart for
And serve and help my neigh-bor. Let no false doc-trine
Un-til your re-ap-pear-ing. And then from death a-



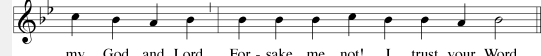
sor-row break, My trust in you no one could shake.
me be-guile; Let Sa-tan not my soul de-file.
wak-en me That my own eyes with joy may see,



You are the trea-sure I have sought; Your pre-cious blood my
Give strength and pa-tience un-to me To bear my cross-es
O Son of God, your glo-rious face, My Sav-ior and my



soul has bought. Lord Je-sus Christ, My God and Lord,
will-ing-ly. Lord Je-sus Christ, My God and Lord,
Fount of grace. Lord Je-sus Christ, My prayer at-tend,



my God and Lord, For-sake me not! I trust your Word.
my God and Lord, For-sake me not! I trust your Word.
my prayer at-tend, And I will praise you with-out end.

THE SERMON.....Philippians 3:17-4:1

Please Stand

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
 tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

Please Be Seated

THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -

na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
 na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
 grant us your peace. A - men.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice "close communion." We invite all who are members of St. Paul's or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul's, please feel free to contact one of the pastors.

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN **"Though Thoughtless Thousands Choose"**
Christian Worship #466

1 Though thought - less thou - sands choose the road
 2 In Christ, by faith, I wish to live,
 3 Christ is my ev - er - last - ing all.
 4 Soon will the Lord, my life, ap - pear;
 5 Soon will the saints in glo - ry meet,

Hymn continues on next page

That leads the soul a - way from God,
 From him my life, my all, re - ceive,
 To him I look; on him I call.
 Soon shall I end my tri - als here,
 Soon walk through ev - 'ry gold - en street

This hap - pi - ness, dear Lord, be mine:
 To him de - vote my fleet - ing hours,
 He will my ev - 'ry want sup - ply
 Leave sin and sor - row, death and pain,
 And sing on ev - 'ry bliss - ful plain,

To live and die en - tire - ly thine.
 Serve him a - lone with all my pow'rs.
 In time and through e - ter - ni - ty.
 To live is Christ; to die is gain."
 "To live is Christ; to die is gain."

Please stand

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac - cord - ing

to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre -

pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the

Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

CLOSING PRAYER

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Please be seated

THE CLOSING HYMN **"Church of God, Elect and Glorious"**
Christian Worship Supplement #774

1 Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious,
 2 God has called you out of dark - ness
 3 Once you were an al - ien peo - ple,
 4 Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly,

Hymn continues on next page

Ho - ly na - tion, cho - sen race;
 In - to his most mar - v' lous light,
 Stran - gers to God's heart of love;
 Be - the peo - ple he in - tends;

Called as God's own spe - cial peo - ple,
 Brought his truth with - in you,
 But he brought you home in mer - cy,
 Strong in faith and swift to an - swer

Roy - al priests and heirs of grace:
 Turned your blind - ness in - to sight.
 Cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove,
 Each com - mand your mas - ter sends:

Know the pur - pose of your call - ing.
 Let your light so shine a - round you
 Let his love flow out to oth - ers;
 Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing

Show to all his might - y deeds;
 That God's name is glo - ri - fied
 Let them feel a Fa - ther's care;
 Through your sac - ri - fice and prayer;

Tell of love that knows no lim - its,
 And all find fresh hope and pur - pose
 That they too may know his wel - come
 Give your lives in joy - ful ser - vice—

Hymn continues on next page

Grace that meets all hu - man needs.
 In Christ Je - sus cru - ci - fied.
 And his count - less bless - ings share.
 Sing his praise, his love de - clare.

This hymn emphasizes how Christians naturally fulfill what God has created and called them to be in Christ Jesus.

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Worship Participants

Liturgist Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist/Adult Choir Director Mrs. Marie Becker

Announcements

BAPTISM: Today in the 10:30 AM service Norah Rose Murphy will be received into God's kingdom through holy baptism. Norah is the infant daughter of Scott and Jenna Murphy. Serving as her godparents are Ingrid Murphy and Andrew Rozanski. May the Lord bless Norah and her family as they grow together in Christ.

VOTERS MEETING: The Board of Lutheran Schools recommended to the Church Council at its meeting on February 9th that we have a full-day 5K program for 2016/2017 here at St. Paul's. That would mean that the Kindergarten teacher position would go from being a part-time call to a full-time call. The Church Council agrees with this recommendation and unanimously approved taking the recommendation to the congregation at a special Voter's meeting. Therefore, the Church Council has set a Voters Meeting for February 29th at 7:30pm. (This will be the only agenda item on that evening.) If the Voters were to approve the recommendation, there would be another Voters Meeting on March 14th at 7:30pm to issue this full-time call.

YOUTH GROUP SURVEY: All members of St. Paul's from Grade 7 through Grade 12 should have received a survey about starting a youth group at St. Paul's. If you have completed that survey,

you may leave it in the basket on the back counter or place it into Mr. Peter Eppen's mailbox at church.

LEADERSHIP BIBLE CLASS: The next leadership Bible Class for the Church Council and all Board members will be on Thursday, February 25th at 6:30pm.

GRADE SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR: Everyone is invited to come to the Grade School Science Fair on Thursday, February 25th from 6:30 – 7:30pm. It will be held in the gym in the school. The science projects will also be left on display in the school gym through next weekend. Also check out the awesome Book Fair in the school hallway.

BEDTIME BLESSINGS: On Tuesday, March 1st we will be having an event called *Bedtime Blessings*. It is an evening of bedtime stories, snacks, songs, crafts and family devotion. It is for all children between the ages of 3K and Kindergarten - whether they attend St. Paul's School or not. All children must be accompanied with their parents and pajamas are welcome. There are sign-up sheets on the counter in the back of church or the church/school office.

150TH UPDATE: The new organ has been installed. What a difference it will make as we worship and celebrate what he Lord has given us. And we've raised over \$50,000 through various generous gifts and donations. Thank you. However, we still have a ways to go. We are almost at our goal but we need your help. There are contribution envelopes in the Narthex. Any contribution is welcome and needed!

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2016: The dates for this summer's Vacation Bible Camp are July 25-29. We will once again use the staff from Camp Phillip for our VBC. More information will follow later this Spring.

MIDWEEK LENT 2016: "Irony" is not a word that most people would ascribe to Jesus' passion. However, certain events in the gospel accounts—Caiaphas' unintentional prophesy, the Jewish leaders' hypocrisy, and others—are actually quite ironic. This year's theme is **"Ironies of the Passion"** will lead us to learn about the unique and lasting significance of Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection. The services are on Wednesdays beginning on February 10th at 3:30 pm & 6:30 pm. The schedule is:

- Ash Wednesday (Feb. 10) – "This Man Went Home Justified" (Pastor Adams)
- Lent 2 (Feb. 17) – "It is Better that One Man Die for the People (Pastor Unnasch)
- Lent 3 (Feb. 24) – "He Had Been Waiting to See Jesus" (Pastor Gaertner)
- Lent 4 (Mar. 2) – "We Have No King but Caesar" (Pastor Hoff)
- Lent 5 (Mar. 9) – "Don't You Fear God" (Pastor Ellenberger)
- Lent 6 (Mar. 16) – "Not During the Feast" (Pastor Marshall)

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS: The theme for our Sunday Bible Class is: *"The House of the Lord."* God intended for Adam and Eve to live forever with him in the Garden of Eden. What a wonderful proposition – perfect people living with the perfect Creator. But Adam and Eve sinned and had to leave the Garden. God could have let them go their own way and then started over. Instead, he again made it possible for him to live among his people. How he did that is the subject of this study. Using examples of the types of homes we might live in, we will see God's plan for making "houses" in which he could live among us here on earth and in eternity. Those "homes" are:

- The Lord's First House (The Garden of Eden)
- The Lord's Mobile Home (The Tabernacle)
- The Lord's Palace (The Temple)
- The Lord's Model Home (Jesus Christ)
- The Lord's Current Residence (The Church)
- The Lord's Dream House (Heaven)

Please come and join us on Sunday mornings at 9:15am.

LUTHER PREP SPRING MUSICAL: Luther Prep will be performing My Fair Lady March 11-16 at 7:00 PM. For ticket information; call weekdays (920) 261-4352.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: St. Paul's is collecting box tops for our school. There is a container on the counter in the narthex to put them in. This is a great program for our school to earn money. Thank you for your help!

GET READY TO MAKE A SPLASH: Wisconsin Lutheran High School is inviting 4th and 6th grade students, on separate nights from 5:30-7:30 p.m., to a fun evening of waterslides and swimming at Country Springs Waterpark Hotel in Pewaukee. There is no cost, however at least one parent must attend with their child. The children will swim and the parents will learn more about WLHS. **4th grade students are invited on Monday, March 7, and must RSVP by Monday, February 29. 6th grade students are invited on Monday, March 14, and must RSVP by Monday, March 7.** RSVP by going to www.wlhs.org/news.

WLHS MUSICAL MARY POPPINS: Set in 1910 England, young Jane and Michael Banks have sent many a nanny packing before Mary Poppins arrives on their doorstep. Using a combination of magic and common sense, she must teach the family how to value each other again. One of the most popular Disney movies of all time, Mary Poppins is now delighting theater audiences. **Performances will be held on Friday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 6 at 1:30 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium.** Reserved seat tickets are available at the WLHS reception desk, or by printing out the on-line ticket order form

at www.wlhs.org/events.

Before the Friday, March 4, performance you can enjoy the Choir Associates Spaghetti Dinner served in the cafeteria from 4:30-7:00 pm. Wisco Kids and Inspiration will perform during the dinner. Tickets will be sold at the door, adults \$8 and children \$6.

WLHS SACRED CHORAL: The WLHS Spring Sacred Choral Concert, *Begin the Song of Glory Now*, will be held Saturday, March 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium. The concert will feature the A Cappella, Cantorei, and Freshman Choirs of WLHS, Inspiration, Jubilation Handbell Choir. Admission is free, and a freewill offering will be taken during the concert.

WLHS BOYS TENNIS COACH: Wisconsin Lutheran High School is looking for boys tennis coaches for this coming season. We are hiring a head varsity coach and a head JV coach for the spring sport. Please contact Athletic Director Jeff Sitz at jeff.sitz@wlhs.org for more information if you are interested in applying. All WLHS coaches must be members of the WELS.

WLHS SUBSTITUTE KITCHEN JOB OPENING: Taher, Inc, the exclusive food service management company for Wisconsin Lutheran High School, is currently seeking a substitute associate that would be available to fill in as needed for sick associates, busy days, or catering events. Kitchen tasks include preparing and serving of meals, cashiering, and standard clean up duties. This is a GOLDEN opportunity for someone who has or will have students attending Wisconsin Lutheran High School. This position could lead to part or full time employment in the future if so desired. Please contact Sarah Derouin, Food Services Director at chef@wlhs.org for more information or to set up an interview. If applicable, please include your resume.

HOST A STUDENT, CHANGE A LIFE: Wisconsin Lutheran High School's International Program welcomes students from all over the world. Each year a select number of students live with host families. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your Christian faith with individuals who might otherwise never have the chance to learn of their Savior.

For more information about becoming a host family for the 2016-17 school year OR for short term respite care for the upcoming Easter Break from March 25-April 3 please contact the Director of the international program, April Goldschmidt at [414-453-4567](tel:414-453-4567) or april.goldschmidt@wlhs.org.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (February 21 & 22)

8:00 AM – Dave & Marlene Horn
10:30 AM – Andy Backus
6:30 PM – Donna LaBlanc

GREETERS LENT (February 24)

3:30 PM – 7th and 8th Grade
6:30 PM – Pete & Sherry Kosovich

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (February 28 & 29)

8:00 AM – Steve & Theresa Mess
10:30 AM – Roberto & Kendra Matus; Mara & Caleb
6:30 PM – Dave & Janet Long

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:

8:00 AM TEAM #2-Bob Goelz, Todd Flunker, Scott Sievert, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess
10:30 AM TEAM #6-Andy Goede, Reed Goede, Nolan Romeis, Cooper Goede, Zach Matthew, Austin Hennen-Petricek, Dawson Ziegler
6:30 PM TEAM#9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

USHERS FOR LENT February 24

3:30 PM -7th and 8th Grade Students
6:30 PM -TEAM #3 Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Brad Johnson, Frank Krajewski

ALTAR GUILD:

February 17 March 1-TEAM #3 Jane Koplein, Carol Willms

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, February 21

Worship Service with Communion..... 8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School..... 9:15 AM
Worship Service with Communion..... 10:30 AM

Monday, February 22

Worship Service with Communion..... 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 23

Pastor Circuit Meeting..... 10:00 AM
PSCIC..... 6:00 PM

Wednesday, February 24

Midweek Lent Service 3:30PM
Midweek Lent Service 6:30 PM

Thursday, February 25

Church Leadership Bible Class 6:30 PM
School Science Fair/Book Fair 6:30 PM

Friday, February 26

School Devotion 8:30 AM

Sunday, February 28

Worship Service 8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School..... 9:15 AM
Worship Service 10:30 AM
Science Fair Displays (Gym)/Book Fair

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Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am 92, Communed-n/a; 10:30 am- 105 Communed-n/a; 6:30 pm-52,
Communed-n/a
Total Attendance 249, Total Communed n/a
Total Attendance Pastor Hoff Installation Service 257
Bible Class 30, Sunday School 3